

MINUTES OF GEOGRAPHY DIVISION STAFF MEETING, 2 September 1959  
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PRESENT: [REDACTED]

1. Operation Alert 1959

25X1A9a [REDACTED] reported that compliments have been received regarding the performance of the D/GG participants in this exercise.

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\*2. [REDACTED]

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25X1A9a [REDACTED] will write to [REDACTED] within the next few days. Topics or questions that Branch Chiefs wish to be included in the letter are to be in [REDACTED] hands by next Friday.

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3. GRA-ERA Relations

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25X1A9a Messrs. [REDACTED] Guthe and [REDACTED] have discussed the problem of duplicating or competitive operations in the GRA and ERA. It was concluded that there may be problems from time to time, but that these should be resolved on their own merits. Missions and functions are still evolving and both ERA and GRA need to have a certain flexibility in operation. [REDACTED] will instruct the ERA Division Chiefs that new requirements for retention copies of documents are to be fulfilled by asking [REDACTED] shop for additional copies. Until this is achieved, D/GG will make copies of those new-type documents ERA has requested for retention, but will include on the documents forwarded a note reminding ERA that its own retention copy should be secured.

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The meeting with the AD also brought out the fact that CSM's may be initiated by any ORR analyst, not merely those in the ERA. The publication is designed to provide a vehicle for finished intelligence of a fragmentary nature. CSS edits and oversees such production and has authored an Office notice concerning them.

Related matters:

a. CSS will try to assure that appropriate CSM's are coordinated with D/GG.

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b. [REDACTED] raised the question of whether the sequence of routing on a document determines retention rights? A subsequent check with [REDACTED] indicates not.

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25X1A9a [REDACTED] will speak to [REDACTED] about the statistical documents retained by St/PB.

\*Items requiring action:

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\*4. D/CG Persons Going to IGU Meetings on Their Own

25X1A9a Let [REDACTED] know sometime today the names of those going to [REDACTED] on their own.

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\*5. Meeting on the Boundary Inventory Project for Dr. Pearcy, State

25X1A9a There will be a meeting this afternoon at 3:30 of [REDACTED] to discuss this project and the prototype for it brought in by [REDACTED]

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6. Miscellaneous

Reproduction requisitions for anything (except maps) that goes into a finished report are to be channeled through St/PB.